

## **EXHIBIT C**

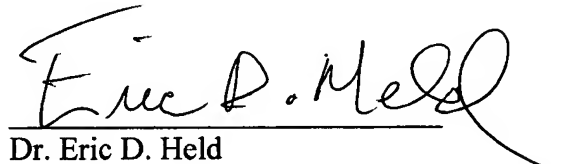
### **DECLARATION OF ERIC D. HELD UNDER 37 CFR 1.132 ESTABLISHING SUFFICIENCY OF DISCLOSURE AND NOVELTY**

I, Eric D. Held, acknowledge that any willful false statements made herein are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, and that they jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon. All statements made herein are made of my own knowledge, and are true, and all statements made on information and are believed to be true.

1. I hereby declare that I am Eric D. Held, associate professor of physics at Utah State University, Logan, Utah. I received my Ph.D in engineering physics in 1999 from University of Wisconsin, Madison, and have 6 years of post-graduate research and experience. I took my present position in 2000. My principal areas of research are in the kinetic and fluid theory of fusion and astrophysical plasmas.

2. I was taught the principle of plasma quasi-neutrality from early in my plasma physics training, and was surprised to discover that Dr. Edwards, the first-named inventor of the present invention, violated that principle in the present invention when I joined him in his researches.

Dated this 15th day of May 2006.

  
Dr. Eric D. Held